

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

RECOGNIZING ANN SWANSON

HON. JOHN P. SARBANES

OF MARYLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, November 18, 2022

Mr. SARBANES. Madam Speaker, I rise today, along with Congressman BOBBY SCOTT and Congressman ROB WITTMAN, to recognize Ann Swanson as she retires as Executive Director of the Chesapeake Bay Commission.

As Executive Director of the Chesapeake Bay Commission for more than 34 years, Ms. Swanson has played a definitive role in the progress that the Bay has made, helping to ensure the renewal and restoration of the nation's largest estuary and the economic engine of the region.

The Chesapeake Bay is a unique natural resource and national treasure, and because its watershed spans six states and the District of Columbia, protecting the Bay poses a distinct challenge and requires commitment and resources across state and party boundaries. In leading the Chesapeake Bay Commission, a tri-state legislative authority which serves Maryland, Virginia and Pennsylvania, Ms. Swanson has fostered bipartisan and multi-state coordination that has been integral to improving the health of the Chesapeake Bay.

Through her tireless work with countless advocates, legislators and regulatory agencies on both the state and federal levels, Ms. Swanson has brokered deals and encouraged legislative action, funding allocations and regulation implementation that give due consideration to each region's unique cultural, financial and economic conditions. Under Ms. Swanson's leadership, the Chesapeake Bay Commission has addressed issues including agricultural runoff, fisheries management, water cleanliness, habitat restoration and public access.

Ms. Swanson's dedication to and effectiveness in conserving the Chesapeake Bay has made her a well-respected figure in the environmental restoration community and beyond. Trained as a wildlife biologist and forest ecologist, she has been awarded honors such as Admiral of the Chesapeake by the State of Maryland, the Chesapeake Bay Environmental Leadership Award from the Alliance for the Chesapeake Bay, the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Chesapeake Conservancy and an Honorary Doctor of Laws from her alma mater, the University of Vermont.

As we approach the deadline for the 2025 Chesapeake Bay Goals, though work unquestionably remains to be done, Ann Swanson's legacy has laid a strong foundation upon which further restoration of the Chesapeake will be built. I commend Ann Swanson for her four decades of public service at the Chesapeake Bay Commission and wish her the best in the next chapter of her life. All of us in its watershed owe her a debt of gratitude for her tireless efforts to improve the Bay, recognizing that when the environment thrives, so do our communities.

HONORING THE CAREER OF JUDGE STEVEN NATION

HON. VICTORIA SPARTZ

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mrs. SPARTZ. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize and honor the service of Judge Steven Nation of Hamilton County, Indiana.

After graduating from Cathedral High School, Judge Nation received his bachelor's degree in political science from Indiana University and went on to graduate from the IU School of Law—Indianapolis.

In 2019, Nation retired as a Hamilton County Judge after serving 24 years on the bench and 16 years as a prosecutor. After his retirement, Nation was elected to the Hamilton County Council as an At-Large member.

Steve also founded the Youth Assistance Program, providing preventative wrap-around services to at-risk youth and families, as well as Prevail, a Hamilton County-based non-profit advocating for victims of crime and abuse.

Judge Nation has received numerous awards for his lifelong service to our community: the Noblesville Elementary Football League's "Hall of Fame Award"; the International Association of Truancy and Dropout Prevention's "Person of the Year Award"; the Hamilton County Community Foundation's "Community Pillar Award for Family Success"; the Shepherd's Center of Hamilton County "Healey Advocates for Aging Award"; a pedestrian trail through Noblesville has been named the "Steven R. Nation Nature Trail"; the highest honor of Hamilton County, the "Hamilton County Continental Award"; and also the "Sagamore of the Wabash," the most prestigious award from the Governor of Indiana, among others.

Judge Nation and his wife Peggy call Noblesville, Indiana, home. They have two grown children and one grandson.

Madam Speaker, it is my honor to formally recognize Steven Nation for his decades of service to Hamilton County, Indiana.

CELEBRATING DORAN CART'S RETIREMENT FROM THE NATIONAL WORLD WAR I MUSEUM AND MEMORIAL

HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. CLEAVER. Madam Speaker, it is with profound gratitude that I rise today to celebrate the decades-long career of Doran Cart, who has served as the Senior Curator at the National World War I Museum and Memorial in Kansas City, Missouri for the last eleven years. As the nation's leading expert on the material culture of the First World War, Doran's role in preserving and interpreting the

history of this transformational conflict cannot be overstated. With his well-earned retirement fast approaching at the end of the year, let us take a moment to reflect on Doran's invaluable contributions not only to Missouri's Fifth Congressional District, but to the field of history at large.

Having long understood the significance of studying the past, Doran earned his Bachelor of Arts in History from Indiana University in 1974, at which point he entered the museum field. Going on to earn a master's degree in Museum Administration/History from the University of California, Riverside in 1981, Doran became Curator at the Liberty Memorial nine years later, leading a professional staff of only two individuals. When the Memorial was closed in November of 1994 due to structural failure of its courtyards and stairways, a chain of events was set in motion that would soon make Doran Cart a household name in Kansas City and eventually a figure of national, and even international, prominence. Serving as the Memorial's point of contact for publicity related to the unfortunate closure, Doran worked tirelessly with various entities on restoration designs, implementation, and documentation. Spearheading efforts to pass a sales tax designed to generate funds for the Memorial's restoration, Doran led over 150 public programs extolling the importance of the Memorial and the need for public support. When Kansas City voters overwhelmingly approved the sales tax in 1998, it was made clear that Doran's message had resonated deeply with the surrounding community. At the time, I was serving my second term as the Mayor of Kansas City, and it is difficult to adequately express the sense of admiration I felt for Doran after his successful appeal to the public. With millions of visitors from around the world having made their way to Kansas City over the last twenty-four years to visit the hallowed grounds that Doran helped save, that sense of admiration has only grown.

Looking beyond the restoration of the Memorial, Doran also played a pivotal role in the passage of a \$20 million bond initiative to fund the construction of a new museum that would display the thousands of WWI-related objects and documents that the Liberty Memorial Association had collected since 1920, one year before the site's dedication. Approved by voters in 2004, the same year that the 108th Congress designated the Liberty Memorial as the National WWI Museum, the bond initiative was part of a \$102 million project that turned the space underneath the original Memorial Courtyard into the Museum's main gallery. Throughout this massive undertaking, Doran worked closely with the architectural, construction, and design teams. From there, he worked on the design, creation, label writing, and installation of the Museum's primary exhibition, *The World War, 1914–1919*.

Opened to the public on December 2, 2006 as the National World War I Museum and Memorial, the site has been home to countless special exhibitions over the last sixteen years, including *Man and Machine: The German Soldier in World War I*, *Road to War: 1904–1914*,

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